MINUTES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS COMMISSION WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2011

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission held its regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 24, 2011 at 7919 Independence Blvd., Conference Room 3000, and Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. James Hopson, with the following members present:

Mrs. Carol Ann Cleveland, Vice-Chairman Mr. Charles Cain, Commissioner Mr. Henry "Darty" Smith, Commissioner Major Adam White Attorney Paul Schexnayder Attorney Melinda Long

Present also was John W. Alario, Executive Director, and various industry representatives.

On motion by, Major White seconded by Mrs. Cleveland, the minutes of the July 27, 2011 meeting was adopted as transcribed and the register of attendance was signed.

The latest expenditure and revenue reports ending July 31, 2011 were reviewed.

The statistical reports for the period ending July 31, 2011 were reviewed.

The accounting total reports for July 2010 and July 2011 were reviewed.

Report of fires and accidents for July 2011 were reviewed.

The compliance audits for July 2011 were reviewed.

Dates for the next meetings were set for September 28th and September 29th in Baton Rouge, LA. The October meetings were discussed. The Commission has decided to schedule the October meeting in Delhi, La at Poverty Point State Park.

Mr. Alario informed the Commission that he would make the following citations for appearance at the September 2011 meeting and that others may be added prior to distribution of the AD letter:

- 1. Citations Regular September 2011 Four (4) – Compliance Audits
- 2. Citations Insurance September 2011 None as of August 19, 2011

3. Citations – Permit Renewals – September 2011

One (1) violation for failure to pay permit renewal fees.

Mr. Alario presented the Commission with the Market Development Fund (MDF) balance of **\$912,931.48** as of July 31, 2011.

According to Mr. Alario, the Market Development Board approved an incentive program for rebates for lawn mowers. The rebates apply to the purchase of a new lawn mower or the conversion of a lawn mower (to propane fueled) with less than 1,000 hours on it. The Industry believes they can obtain several gallons of propane used in this Industry. The maximum allowed rebates total \$5,000.00 which includes two (2) new lawn mowers or four (4) propane converted lawn mowers. On motion by Mr. Cain, seconded by Mr. Smith they approved the incentive for the rebates for the lawn mowers.

Since May 2011, approximately \$20,000.00 has been issued in rebate checks. This amount exceeds the total for the last Rebate Program that was implemented in the past.

Commission Legislation and/or Rule Changes – Status – Attorney Schexnayder informed the Commission that he is still working on the rule changes. Additional changes have been added. Mr. Alario stated that he is hoping to have the changes completed by the next meeting.

On behalf of Creative Communications, Ms. Lori Berteau was present to introduce the newest member to their team, Ms. Crystal Jackson.

There being no other business, Mrs. Cleveland motioned to recess until 8:30 a.m., Thursday, August 25, 2011, Mr. Cain seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.